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Transmitted herewith is an	amendment in the	above-identified	application.
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REPLY: AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 27, 2007, please enter the following amendment.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.